MS 51 (Ethics, Theology)

Title: 'Iḥyā' 'ulūmi 'd-Dīn
Author: Abū Ḥāmid Muḥammad b. Muḥammad al-Ghazzālī (d.505/1111)
Copyist: Muḥammad b. 'Abdallāh b. Ḥājji Muḥammad b. Ṣāliḥ
Date: Not stated: probably 15th century

Brockelmann I.539$_{25}$: S.I.748$_{25}$.

This is Vol.III of al-Ghazzālī's great encyclopedia of Muslim theology and ethics, beginning with the section "Bayān Junūdi 'l-Qalb" nd ending with the section "'arbābu 'l-'amwāl"

Folios 209, 11¾ x 8in; in single columns of 24 lines to page, inside a border of two red lines surmounted by one blue line, 9¼ x 6in. Written on thick, horizontally-laid paper in good Syrian Naskh, sparsely vocalized, with some orthographic signs; some words scored through in red ink. Rubrics and leading words in red. Bound in thick, black leather binding, no flap; considerable damp throughout, but no text lost. No 'Unwān. Folios 1a-2 contain an excellent Fihrist.
2 or 3 folios missing at the beginning.

Begins (folio 3) only at: والعلم صفة صفة حالة فيه والصفة غير الموصوف

Ends (before Colophon): فانما الاعمال بخواتيمها اخر كتاب

MSS 52-56 CONSTITUTE 5 VOLUMES BELONGING TO ONE SET

MS 52 (Hadīth - Ethics)

Title: Hilyatu 'l-'auliyā' wa-tabaqatu (sic) 'l-'asfiyā'

Author: Abū Ahmad b. 'Abdallāh al-Hāfiz al-Isbahānī (sic) = Abū Nu'aim A. b. 'Abdallāh b. Ishāq al-Isfahānī (d.430/1038)

Copyist: Muhammad Sādiq Fahmī Ibn as-Sayyid Amīn al-Mālih

Date: 1318 (sic for 1328)/1900

Brockelmann I.445$_{\mathrm{I.b.1}}$: S.I.617$_{1}$.

MSS 52-56 represent Vols.III-V, VIII, XI of the complete work, which was transcribed from the MS Tasauwuf no.114 (Zaiyāt, Khazā'inu 'l-Kutub, p.58) in the Public Library, Damascus. The Vol. numbers relate only to the transcription. This was done for A.G.Ellis, the original owner, and he has appended the correspondence relating to the transaction, dating from 1909 at the end of Vol.III. All the Vols. are dated 1328 or 1329, except the first (Vol.III) which is erroneously dated 1318. Sādiq's photograph is appended in folio 666. Judging from statements in later volumes (see below) he was the chief copyist and delegated the task of copying some of the volumes to others; he determined the format.

Folios 666, 9½ x 7in; in single columns of 19 lines to page, no border. Written on modern, hard, off-white paper in large clear Naskh (mixed with Ruq'a), unvocalized, no orthographic signs. General classifications of personal characteristics are rubricated in red; sections of the work are noted at foot of columns in black in the form kara's (6), etc. Excellently bound in ¼-moeocco European binding, no flap. Folio 1 contains a simple 'Unwān, stating that this is part III. The title

"Abu Nu'aim Hilyat Al-Auliyā Vol.3" is printed (gilt) on the spine. Paginated as pages in Arabic, as folios in English.

Begins (at Section 29 of the whole work): حدثنا محمد بن حمد بن الحسن حدثنا الحميدى حدثنا سفيان قال كان ربيعة

Ends (at Section 46): قال نعم قوم يجيئون من بعدكم يؤمنون بى ولم يرونى

MS 53 (Ḥadīth - Ethics)

Title: Ḥilyatu 'l-'auliyā' wa-ṭabaqatu (sic) 'l-'aṣfiyā'
Author: Abū Nu'aim Aḥmad b. 'Abdallāh b. Isḥāq al-Iṣfahānī (d.430/1038)
Copyist: Ismā'īl al-Imām
Date: 1328/1910

Brockelmann I.445$_{I.b.1}$: S.I.617$_{1}$.

This is Vol.IV of the copy made from the Damascus MS (see on MS 52 above). Sections of the whole work are given throughout in this volume. Ṣādiq's name is added after the colophon and his photograph is appended in folio 448 along with a statement of authority for sending the volume.

Folios 448, 9½ x 7in; in single columns of 19 lines to page, no border. Written on modern, hard, off-white paper in large clear Naskh, unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Names of persons, about whom ḥadīths are given, in red. Excellently bound in ½-morocco European binding, no flap; with title "Abu Nu'aim Hilyat Al-Auliyā Vol.4" gilt on spine. Paginated as MS 52. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1, stating that this is the 4th part of the work, and adding:-

'amlā'u 'sh-shaikhi 'l-'imāmi 'l-Ḥāfiẓ abī nu'aim 'aḥmad b. 'abdallāh b. 'aḥmad b. 'isḥāq sabṭ muḥammad b. yūsuf.
riwāyatu 'sh-shaikhaini 'l-'imāmaini 'z-zāhidaini abi 'l-faḍl ḥamad b. 'abī 'alī 'l-ḥasan b. 'aḥmad al-ḥaddād.

Begins (at Section 47): حدثنا ابو محمد ابن حيان قال حدثنا احمد بن على

Ends:
قال الشيخ رحمه الله وسنوم المترقب ذو الاحزان

MS 54 (Ḥadīth - Ethics)

Title: Ḥilyatu 'l-'auliyā' wa-ṭabaqatu (sic) 'l-'aṣfiyā'
Author: Abū Nu'aim Aḥmad b. 'Abdallāh b. Isḥāq al-Iṣfahānī (d.430/1038)
Copyist: Muḥammad Ṣādiq Fahmī Ibn as-Sayyid Amīn al-Māliḥ
Date: 1329/1911

Brockelmann I.445$_{\text{I.b.1}}$: S.I.617$_{1}$.

This is Vol.V of the copy made from the Damascus MS (see on MS 52 above). Section numbers of the work are given throughout. Ṣādiq's photograph and statement of authority for sending the copy are appended in folio 655.

Folios 655, 9½ x 7in; in single columns of 19 lines to page, no border. Written on modern, hard, off-white paper in large clear Naskh (mixed with Ruq'a), unvocalised, no orthographic signs. Names of persons about whom ḥadīths are given are not

added in this volume, but sections are noted in red at the foot of folios in the form kara's (1); there are several rubrications in red, noting classifications of next persons described. Excellently bound in ½-morocco European binding, no flap, with title "Abu Nu'aim Hilyat Al-Auliyā Vol.5" on spine (gilt). Paginated as MSS 52-53. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1 states that this is part 5 of the work.

Begins: اخبرنا الشيخ الامام الحافظ ابو نعيم احمد ... الاصبهانى
قال ومنهم المبرور ذو الاحزان

Ends: على من لا نبى بعده وسلم تسليما كثيرا

MS 55 (Hadīth - Ethics)

Title: Hilyatu 'l-'auliyā' wa-ṭabaqatu (sic) 'l-'aṣfiyā'
Author: Abū Nu'aim Aḥmad b. 'Abdallāh b. Isḥāq al-Iṣfahānī (d.430/1038)
Copyist: Muḥammad Ṣādiq Fahmī Ibn as-Sayyid Amīn al-Māliḥ
Date: 1328/1910

Brockelmann I.445$_{I.b.1}$: S.I.617$_{1}$.

This is Vol.VIII of the copy made from the Damascus MS (see on MS 52 above). Section numbers are given throughout. Ṣādiq's photograph (one at beginning and another at end!) and statement of authority for sending the copy are given in folio 382.

Folios 382, 9½ x 7in; in single columns of 19 lines to page, no border. Written on modern, hard, off-white paper in large

clear Naskh (mixed with Ruq'a), unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Names of persons about wh m ḥadīths are given are not given in red, but sections are noted in red as in the preceding MS. There are several rubrications in red, noting classifications of next persons described. Excellently bound in ¼-morocco European binding, no flap, with title "Abu Nu'aim Hilyat Al-Auliyā Vol.VIII" on spine (gilt). Paginated as MSS 52-54. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1 states that this is the 8th part of the work. This volume contains sections 57 to 64.

Begins: حدثنا محمد بن احمد بن الحسن حدثنا عبد الله ابن احمد بن حنبل حدثني

Ends: وان كنت ترا انه ينفحل وتكلم فاذا انقضا

MS 56 (Ḥadīth - Ethics)

Title: Ḥilyatu 'l-'auliyā' wa-ṭabaqatu (sic) 'l-'aṣfiyā'
Author: Abū Nu'aim Aḥmad b. 'Abdallāh b. Isḥāq al-Iṣfahānī (d.430/1038)
Copyist: Muḥammad Ṣādiq Fahmī Ibn as-Sayyid Amīn al-Mālih
Date: 1328/1910

Brockelmann I.445$_{I.b.1}$: S.I.617$_{1}$.

This is Vol.XI of the copy made from the Damascus MS (see on MS 52 above). Section numbers are given throughout. Ṣādiq's photograph and statement of authority for sending the copy are in folio 340.

Folios 340, 9½ x 7in; in single columns of 19 lines to page,

no border. Written on modern, hard, off-white paper, in large clear Naskh (mixed with Ruq'a), unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Names not given in red, but section numbers noted in red at foot of folios as in preceding MSS; rubrications in red give classifications of next persons described. Excellently bound in ¼-morocco European binding, no flap, with title "Abu Nu'aim Hilyat Al-Auliyā Vol.XI" on spine (gilt). Paginated as MSS 52-55. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1 states that this is the 11th part of the work.

Begins: ومنهم الواثق بالوصول الناطق بالاصول النازل للفضول

Ends: قدير وهو حسبنا ونعم الوكيل

MS 57 (Grammar)

Title: Kitābu 't-Taṣrīf li'bni 'l-Ḥājib
Author: Jamāladdīn Abū 'Amr 'Uthmān b. 'Umar b. Abī Bakr (al-Mālikī) al-Maghribī (= Ibn al-Ḥājib: d.656/1249)
Copyist: Maḥmūd b. Yūsuf b. Muḥammad
Date: 680/1281

Brockelmann I.370$_{II}$: S.I.535$_{II}$.

This valuable old MS is clearly dated to 32 years only after the author's death.

Folios 19, 9¼ x6½in; in single columns of 23 lines to page, no border. Written on vertically-laid paper, heavily waxed, now yellow with age, in clear, cramped Naskh, completely vocalized, with all orthographic signs. Many marginal notes in an old hand. Chief headings written large, in thick black ink.

Simple 'Unwān in folio 1. Pages loose within cheap, fairly modern boards. Some pages damaged by damp, but text undamaged. Worm holes and other deterioration has been responsible for loss of texts along margins, especially in first two folios. Folio 1 has, beneath the 'Unwān, some fully vocalized lines of poetry. The text ends with the colophon at the top of folio 18, followed by three pages of extraneous material, written in very cramped style, fully vocalized.

Begins after a five-line Ascription: التصريف علم باصول
يعرف بها احوال

Ends before Colophon: واما الحروف فلم تكتب منها بالياء غير
بلى والى وعلى وحتى

MS 58 (Medicine)

Title: Kitāb li-Parakalsus (but see further below)
Author: Paracelsus. Translator's name not stated
Copyist: Damiyānōs (one of the monks of Dair al-Mukhallas)
Date: 1845 A.D.

This copy was made for Yūsuf Ṣaifī, who built up a large library of Arabic works. Such works are usually marked 'Yūsuf' His seal is in folio 7. The work is divided into 19 sections, the second half dealing with the use and benefits of various chemicals. Folio 8a has a fuller title: Kitābu 'ṭ-Ṭibbi 'l-Jadīdi 'l-Kimāwī.

Folios 138, 6 x 4¼in; in single columns of average 15 lines to page, no border. Written on chalk-surfaced, vertically-laid paper, in inelegant Naskh, unvocalized and with few ortho-

graphic signs. Rubrics in red. Bound in pale green stiff boards with brown leather on spine, no flap. For 'Unwān see above. Folios 1a-6 contain a detailed Fihrist. The original pagination begins only at folio 8a.

Begins (folio 8a) with heading in red: فى تعريف الكياويات الحاجة اليها والفرض منها فنقول

Ends: كما يفعل المغناطيس فى الحديد والنار فى الحطب

MS 59 (Homiletics)

Title: Kitāb 'iḥtiqār 'abāṭīli 'l-'ālam (Part I)
Author: Diego de Estella
Translator: al-Bādrī Rūfā'īl
Date: 1639 A.D.

Details of the translation and translators of the four parts into which the work is divided appear in folio 2. The work, correctly identified by a previous cataloguer, is "Libro de la Vanidad del Mundo." The translation was done for Yūsuf Ṣaifī (see on MS 58 above). There are 100 sections dealing with various homiletic themes on vanities. The previous cataloguer refers this work to a printed copy in the British Museum (14501. e.4).

Folios 283, 8 x 5⅝in; in single columns of average 21 lines to page, no border. Written on vertically-laid paper, with horiz-ontal layer to the inch, in clear Naskh, unvocalized, with few orthographic signs. Paragraphs separated by small, wheel-like designs in red. Extensive marginal references to biblical verses quoted. Chapter headings in red. Bound in thick, dark

brown leather, badly deteriorated on spine, no flap. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1 states that this is Part I of the work. Folios 3-5a give a fully detailed Fihrist, which is followed by an ornamented Cross with inscription, and at the bottom a quotation from Galatians ii. Folio 283 contains a pietistic statement about the dead in a different hand.

There are several sheets here and there throughout which are modern (thick white paper of same design, but of modern manufacture); seemingly these fill lacunae in the copy consulted. This is typical of works in Yūsuf Saifī's library. Ṣaifī took considerable pains to ensure the completeness of his volumes.

Begins (with chapter heading in red): فى انه ينبغى لنا احتقار اباطيل العالم

Ends (folio 282): والخلود فى اوطانه الملكوتية التى لا تزول ولا تفنى

MS 60 (Medicine)

Title: (Probably) Kalām 'alā 'l-Jawāhiri 'l-Qābida
Author: Not stated
Date: Not stated: part 18th century and part about 1348/1929

This is apparently a composite work on astringent medicine, dealing with chemicals and herbs that have medicinal application. It is one of the volumes from the library of Yūsuf Ṣaifī (see on MS 58 above). There are several hands, including that of Yūsuf's scribe, who has supplied missing material from other copies.

Folios 144, 9 x 6½in. (except folios 17-28 which are 8½ x 6in.), in single columns of very variable number of lines, no border.

Written in several hands as shown above, mostly of mixed Naskh-Ruq'a. The paper varies from an older, smooth matt, hard paper to a roughly finished, vertically-laid paper of poor quality with unfinished edges. A few orthographic signs and vowels in yet another hand; rubrications in red in the older portions only. Bound in 19th century cheap boards, brown leather on spine, no flap. No 'Unwān, but the title suggested above appears at the top of folio 2a. There are ten blank sheets at the beginning. Yūsuf's authorization is noted in folio 1.

Begins (folio 1a) الفصل الاول فى الكلام على القوابض

Ends: يستعملوه كثيرا فى .... الداوي والقوص

MS 61 (Law)

UNIDENTIFIED LEGAL WORK OF ABOUT THE 17th CENTURY

The beginning and end of this large MS are missing. The rubrications show that it is a work on religious, civil and domestic law, based on hypothetical cases, grouped in subjects, ranging from buying and selling, household expenses, theft, to prayers and the 'itq of mothers. A date of ownership, 1161 A.H., appears at the bottom of folio 600.

Folios 600, 9½ x 6½in; in single columns of 23 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed paper of several kinds, in a clear Naskh, unvocalized and without orthographic signs. Several folios are replacements from a later period. Heavily annotated in many margins. Arranged in books, sections and sub-sections

(titles in red). Bound in modern black & red boards, orange cloth on spine. No 'Unwān. Folios 1-21 and 601 ff. missing. A few blank sheets at both ends. Folio 600 has a partial Fihrist composed for specific references only.

Begins only at:

ولا يصح قبلوا ويستحب

Ends only at:

ولدته لما بين اقل مدة الحمل واكثرها

MS 62 (Prayer, Worship)

UNIDENTIFIED WORK ON WORSHIP, PROBABLY 18th CENTURY

This appears to be a large Shāfi'ite work on worship and particularly on prayer, its positions, etc; prayers for unusual occasions, the Friday prayers, Festival prayers, etc. The beginning is missing and the work begins only at Section 22, dealing with various problems concerning the 'Iqāma. In folio 165 there is a title Kitābu 'l-Manāsik, said to contain 20 sections in all, but only six of which appear in this volume. The ending is also missing and the last section deals with Pilgrimage.

Folios 227, 12 x 7in; in single columns of 21 lines to page, no border. Written on glossy, off-white paper, in good clear Naskh, unvocalized, with some orthography. Some words and phrases scored through. Some marginal annotations. New examples introduced in red. Bound in excellent, decorated red leather, no flap.

Begins only at:

الكل كذا الهبات ولا ضمان نز على البايع

Ends only at:

قال عيسى بن ابان قلت لمحمد ... ثم اشترى مثلها
اخرى هي افضل

MS 63 (Civil Law)

Title: Not stated
Author: Son of Shaikh al-Islām 'Alī b. 'Umar (16th century)
Date: Not stated: possibly 17th century

This seems to be a large fragment of a Ḥanafī law book, mainly concerned with Rights and Claims. Some of the chief kutub therein are on ad-Da'wā, ash-Shahādāt, al-Buyū', al-Wadī'a, al-'āriya, ash-Shirka, al-Muḍāraba. Folio 123a has the title Kitābu 'l-Fawā'id baina 'n-Nās. Incomplete at beginning.

Folios 126, 7 x 5¼in; in single columns of 13 lines to page, no border. Written on thick, glossy, vertically-laid paper in Nasta'līq, unvocalized, with some orthography. Some marginal annotations and rubrics. Kutub & fuṣūl entitled in red. Bound in stout buff boards, brown leather on spine decaying. Some water stains, but text undamaged. No 'Unwān.

Begins only at: اما اذا نستعمله فى حمل

Ends: فوفقنى ... فاعجب ما قد مات عن ...الاحلام بالرأى والفهم

MS 64 (Aphorisms)

Title: (Selections from) Kitābu 'l-Farā'id wa'l-Qalā'id
Author: The Wazīr al-Ahrāzī (for fuller title see Brockelmann)
Date: Not stated: probably early 19th century

cf. Brockelmann G.I.339$_{20}$: S.I.501$_{21}$: 720$_{3}$.

This is from the Yūsuf Ṣaifī Library (see on MS 58 above). It consists of a collection of aphorisms in 14 sections and comprises selections from Kitābu 'l-Farā'id wa'l-Qalā'id, and apparently is not the whole work of that title.

Folios 48, 5½ x 4in; in single columns of 17 lines to page, no border. Written on glossy, horizontally- and vertically-laid paper. Some pages coloured (brown, yellow). In neat, clear Syrian Naskh, partly vocalized and with many orthographic signs. No annotations or rubrics. Modern paper covers. Title given in colophon in folio 1a. Three blank folios at each end. Folio 1 has additional material of the same proverbial type.

Begins: قال العقل اكمل حليه والعلم افضل قنية

Ends: انفع من كثير من العلم مع قلة العمل والحمد لله ...

MS 65 (Poetry)

Title: Majmū'u 'l-Qaṣā'id (al-farā'idi 'l-maḥbūkāti 't-ṭarafain)
Author: Ṣafi 'd-Dīn al-Ḥillī (d.749/1349) according to the 'Unwān
Date: Not stated: almost certainly mid-19th century

Brockelmann S.II.200$_{20}$.

This volume is from the Yūsuf Ṣaifī Library (see on MS 58 above). No editor is mentioned in the 'Unwān. The work is of heterogeneous content: poems by Majnūn Laila (folios 9a ff.),

some Qasīdahs, examples of the sixteen metres: folios 19-20 blank; folios 20a ff. contain Title-Deeds of sales in a different hand: folio 31 has more poems: folios 40 ff. contain a Eulogy on the Patriarch Ignatius Sarūf (dated 1812 A.D.), plus two lines dated 1226 A.D.! Folios 49 ff. contain a poem on the Duration of the Day of Resurrection: folios 50a ff. have a Maqāmah by Buṭrus b. Ibrāhīm Karāmah, with incomplete interlinear commentary. Folio 56 has a Qasīdah, 57 a Eulogy by Buṭrus Karāmah on the Emīr Bashīr ash-Shahbī of Mount Lebanon, dated 1850 A.D., followed in 58a by a Eulogy on Ibn an-Nabīh, then in 62 an alphabetic acrosti and in 67 a Maqāmah (apparently incomplete).

Folios 70, 6 x 4in; in single columns of average 18 lines to page, no border. Written on thick matt paper in various hands, in clear Naskh, unvocalized, with orthographic signs. Rubrics in black or red, no annotations. Bound in modern boards covered with ornamented paper, blackish-brown leather on spine, no flap. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1a.

Begins (شعر): الناس فى زمن الاقبال كالشجرة

Ends (مقامة): فضحكوا عليه وقالوا من يستاهل شى يصل اليه

(last four words in a different hand)

MS 66 (Grammar)

Title: al-Muhimmāt min 'ilmi 'l-'arabīya (?)
or Maqāṣidu 'n-naḥwīya bihā maḥwīya
Author: Not stated: but see below
Date: Not stated: probably 17th century

This may be al-Maqāṣidu 'n-Naḥwīya fī sharḥ shawāhidi 'l-'alfīya by Maḥmūd b. Aḥmad al-'Ainī (d.855/1451)

cf. Brockelmann G.I.361_{11}: II.65_{9}: S.I.524_{11}.

The Colophon in the last folio may include the title:- "He has accomplished his purpose in this composition, having included the essence of the chief things in the science of Arabic" (see title above). There are possible references to the Alfīya and the Kāfiya. It is clearly a commentary on an earlier Grammar.

The text is introduced by the letter Ṣād in red and is overlined in red, while the commentary is introduced by the letter Shīn (for Sharḥ) in red. The work may well be complete. It ranges comprehensively over every important grammatical topic.

Folios 236 9½ x 6in; in single columns of 19 lines to page, no border. Written on various kinds of paper, some waxed and fine, some thick matt, in good Syrian Naskh, sparsely vocalized, with little orthography. Copiously annotated in margins; many margins repaired in the early folios. Bound now in modern, decorated boards, with orange cloth on spine. No 'Unwān. Marginal annotations damaged in places.

Text begins: النحو فى اللغة هو القصد ففى اصطلاحنا

Commentary begins: مقاصد النحو بها محوية

Text ends: وصحبه المنتجبين الحيزه

Commentary ends: الطاهرين صلوة دائمة الى يوم الدين

MS 67 (Aphorisms)

Title: al-lu'lu'u 'l-manthūr fī nasīha wulāti 'l-'umūr

Editor: 'Abdul Aziz al-Ghāwī

Date: Not stated: probably 18th century

This Collection was previously catalogued as a worthless collection of aphorisms, but this is hardly a just criticism, judging from the contents:- selections from

(1) al-jāmi'u 's-saghīr fī hadīthi 'l-bashīri 'n-nadhīr, by al-Jalāl as-Suyūtī.

(2) bidāyatu 'n-nahāya, by al-Ghazzālī, and his (sic) at-tibru 'l-maslūk fī nasīhati 'l-mulūk;

(3) (and) kitāb mufīdi 'n-nu'm, by the Imām as-Sibākī.

(4) kitāb fākihati 'l-khulafā' wa-mufākahati 'z-zarf, by Ibn 'Arabshāh.

(5) qamhu 'n-nufūs, by the Imām al-Husnī.

(6) kitābu 't-tarsawī wa-tahdhībi 'r-riyāsa fī 'l-hukm wa-'s-siyāsa, by Abul Hasan al-Ahwāzī,

and various selections from Egypt and the Yemen.

The work is in four sections: (a) on the excellence of the intellect: (b) on what is obligatory (especially on Governors): (c) on 'akhbār, 'āthār, nasā'ih & raghā'ib: (d) on fawā'id, manāfi', khawāss & sihha.

Folios 49, 8½ x 5¾ in; in single columns of 19 lines to page, within a border of two red lines, 7¼ x 4¼in. Written on stout, horizontally- and vertically-laid paper, in careless cursive Naskh, unvocalized, with some orthographic signs. A few annotations in the margins. Pages loose within blackish-brown leather covers, with flap. Spine breaking away. No 'Unwān. Three blank folios at the end.

Begins: فهذا مجموع لطيف جمعته من كتب متعدده

Ends (before diagram and Ascription): وهذه دايرة رجال -- نشر واستاق

MS 68 (Qaṣīdah)

Title: al-Qaṣīdatu 'l-mīmīyatu (= al-Jauharu 'l-mahbūk fī 'ilmi 's-sulūk)

Author: 'Alā'addīn 'Alī, called 'Alawān al-Ḥusainī al-Ḥamawī (d.936/1530)

Date: 19th century

Brockelmann S.II.461 $_{3.6}$.

This Ṣūfī Qaṣīda appears to be extracted from a larger work, as the original pagination starts with page 73. The 'Mimated' Qaṣīdah (pp.73-165 in original pagination) deals with culture and morals, and is divided into fuṣūl, each 'stanza' being of varied length, the remaining poetry being apparently a series of miscellaneous poems, rhyming in various letters.

Folios 96, 8½ x 6in; in double columns of 15 lines to page, no border. Written on good vertically-laid paper (with horizontal layer to the inch) in excellent Syrian Naskh, vocalized and with orthographic signs. Rubrics in red; a few annotations. Bound in modern ornamented (gilt), cloth-covered boards, spine with brown leather, no flap. Simple 'Unwān in purple in folio 1a, followed by a long list of attributes of the author.

Begins: قال الفقير الى مولاه ذى الكرم

Qaṣīdah ends: تقطع موائيدك الحسنى من النعم

MS ends: وجانب له طيب الرقاد وغلس

MS 69 (Encyclopedia)

Title: Sharḥu 'n-Nuqāya (called 'ittimāmu 'd-dirāya li-qurrā'i 'n-nuqāya)
Author: Jalāladdīn al-Asyūṭī (sic)
Date: 1000/1591

Brockelmann S.II.542$_{128}$.

This is the author's own commentary on his "an-Nuqāya" the text of which is given. The words commented upon are everywhere overlined in red. All the fourteen sciences are represented.

Folios 92, 8 x 4$\frac{3}{4}$in; in single columns of 21 lines to page, within a border of two red lines, 6 x 3 in. Written on good quality paper, vertically-laid (with horizontal layer to the inch) in Ta'līq, unvocalized, with some orthography. New topics introduced by rubric (red) in body of text, not overlined. A few annotations. Excellently preserved, bound in fine brown leather, with flap. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1. Last folio in different hand. Five blank sheets at end.

Begins: فلما ظهر لى تصويب الملحين

Ends (with commentary on لا زاد لقصائه بالدفع)
ولا معقب لحكمه بالنقض سبحانه وتعالى

MS 70 (Ḥadīth)

Title: aṣ-ṣaḥīfatu 'l-kāmila
Author: Not stated: presumably Zain al-'Ābidīn 'Alī b. al-Ḥusain as-Sajjād (d.92/710)
Date: 1035/1626

Brockelmann G.I.39: S.I.76.

Traditions of the Prophet with special reference to prayer.

Folios 179, 7½ x 4½in; in single columns of 11 lines to page, within a border of gold, surmounted by a blue line, 4 x 2in. Written on fine, vertically-laid paper, in beautiful calligraphic Naskh, fully vocalized and with full orthography. Rubrics in red, with gold ornamentation, refer to different 'ad'iya. A few annotations in margins. Bound in stout black boards with gold outer and inner borders, no flap. No 'Unwān. Previous ownership notes in folio 1 dated 1148H and 1182H.

Begins: حدثنا السيد الاجل نجم الدين ---العلوى الحسينى

Ends: وتم احسانك فيما بقى --- فيما مضي --- ارحم الراحمين

MS 71 (Commentary)

Title: ḥāshiya 'alā sharḥi 'l-mawāqif
Author: Ḥabīballāh Mīrzājān ash-Shīrāzī (d.994/1586)
Date: 1054/1644

Brockelmann S.II.594₃.

This is a Commentary on al-Jurjānī's Commentary on Kitābu 'l-Mawāqif fī 'ilmi 'l-Kalām by 'Aḍudaddīn 'Ar. b. Aḥmad al-Ījī (d.756/1355) - cf.Brockelmann G.II.269$_{iv}$.

Folios 114, 7½ x 5in; in single columns of 23 lines to page, no border. Written on thin, glossy paper in Ta'liq, unvocalized and without orthography. Some marginal annotations in black and red. Folios loose in stout brown leather-covered boards. Some folios worm-eaten, mostly in the margins. No 'Unwān. Seals of ownership in folio 1.

Begins: وعلى هذا لا يكون الى -- الاول -- فلان الطاهر (text broken)

Ends: فى الوجود او فى العدم او -- فيدخل --- (text broken)

MS 72 (Astrology)

Title: Kitāb Dānīāl (sic) al-Ḥakīm (wa-qad hawwā 'irshāda 'l-Ḥikma)
Author: Not stated: presumably Dānīāl al-Ḥakīm (a pseudonym)
Date: Not stated: probably 19th century

This is from the Yūsuf Ṣaifī Library (see on MS 58). It comprises two main sections: (1) folios 1-29 on the months of the year (Arab, Roman, Persian & Greek), their auspices; (2) folios 29a-36 on eclipses, planets and their climactic influences.

Folios 36, 7 x 4½in; in single columns of 21 lines to page, no border. Written on good chalky paper in clear, but inelegant Naskh, unvocalized, no orthography. Sub-headings in black,

examples of astrological situations in red; no annotations. Bound in thick stone-coloured boards, red leather on spine, no flap. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1a. The 'Daniel' so often quoted seems to be the author, certainly the authority.

Begins: الحمية الاحوال الواضحة الوثيمة

Ends (before a list of months): فى دوار السنة فى الشمس والقمر

MS 73 (Rhetoric)

Title: al-kalām fī bayān
Author: al-Jalīl Muḥammad Ismā'īl (al-marḥūm ... ash-Shaikh Sa'dallāh Ṭāb Nathrāh (sic))
Date: 1299/1881

There is an additional composition (folios 45 ff.) comprising selected documents dated from 1297/1880 to 1308/1890.

Folios 48, 8¼ x 6in; in single columns of 23 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed matt paper in inelegant Naskh, unvocalized, some orthographic signs. Every word overlined in red for metrical reasons (though it is really a prose work). Rubrications added in different red ink in margins, plus some annotations. Rubrics within work in red. Bound in red leather, ornamented, no flap. No 'Unwān. Incomplete. Twelve blank folios at end.

Begins: فيقول الفقير الى رحمة ربه الغنى الجليل

Ends only at: فى اللغة سلمنا شمولها لمحل البحث

MS 74 (Prayers)

Title: Fatḥu 'r-rasūl wa-miftāḥ bābi 'd-dukhūl
Author: Walīallāh Muḥammad b. 'Uthmān al-Mirghanī (d.1208/1793)
Date: 1274/1857

Brockelmann S.II.810$_{1g.5}$.

Folios 135, 7¼ x 4¾in; in single columns of 11 lines to page, no border. Written on fine, off-white, glossy matt paper in a large calligraphic Naskh, fully vocalized and with all orthography. Rubrics in red, no annotations. In seven chapters. Bound in black leather, gilt, spine broken, with flap. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1; full 'Unwān in black and red in folio 7. Fihrist in folios 3a,4. Allahumma in red throughout. Fly-leaves of green glossy paper.

Begins: فيقول افقر الخليقة الى عفو الغنى رق المصلى

Ends: فانه لا يغفر الذنوب الا انت ثلاثا

MS 75 (Tafsīr)

UNIDENTIFIED COMMENTARY ON THE QUR'AN DATED 1074/1663

This MS contains commentary on Sūrahs 79-114 by an unidentified author. It is arranged in 97 majālis, each dated to 367 or 368 H. Copyist Ḥusain b. Ghulām Ḥusain. The scribe of the copy from which this was copied was 'Alī b. Muḥammad b. Abi 'l-Ḥasan b. 'Abd as-Ṣamad at-Tamīmī.

Folios 268, 11¾ x 7½in; in single columns of 21 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, horizontally-laid paper (with vertical layer to the inch) in excellent Syrian Naskh, partially vocalized, with some orthographic signs. Many marginal annotations. Quranic quotations overlined in red. Bound in modern brown boards, black leather on spine, no flap. Water-stained at the beginning, some margins patched.

Begins (with first majlis after date): يقول كاتب النسخة التى انتسخت

Ends (before Ascription): كبر مقتا عند الله --- قلب متكبر جبار

MS 76 (History)

Title: Not stated: possibly Ta'rīkh Yaḥyā Effendī
Author: Presumably Yaḥyā Effendī
Date: Not stated: 17th or 18th century

It is apparently a history of the Sultans and Imams of the 10th century H. in various parts of the Near and Middle East. In folio 24a there is the sub-title min kitābi 'd-dīwān fī hādhihi 'd-daula. There is a Qaṣīdah (mīmīya) in folio 50.

Folios 58, 8¼ x 5½in; in single columns of 21 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, vertically-laid paper in backhand Ruq'a, unvocalized, with some orthography. Very wide margins. Sub-titles in red and many words in red (usually first word of a sentence); a few annotations. Bound in good brown leather (red on spine) with gilt decorations. Spine broken; some folios loose. Simple 'Unwān (if that is what it is) in a later hand in folio 1.

Begins: فلما اقتضت سنة الله تعالى على ما قال سبحانه

Ends: وراد الحديث وقبره عنده رحمه الله عليه رحمه واسعة

MS 77 (Biography)

Title: ʻuyūnu 'l-'athar
Author: Abu 'l-Fatḥ Muḥammad b. Muḥammad ... b. Sayyid an-Nās (d.734/1334)
Date: Not stated: probably 17th century

Brockelmann G.II.85$_{3.1}$: S.II.77$_{3.1}$.

Similar to, but with a number of variants from the printed edition, Cairo 1356H. cf. also MS 78 below.

Folios 224, 12 x 8¼in; in single columns of average 28 lines to page, no border. Written on stout, chalky, horizontally-laid paper (with vertical layer to the inch) in inelegant small Maghribī, unvocalized, with a few orthographic signs. Rubrics in red; a few marginal annotations. Folios loose within red leather binding (stamped medallion), with flap. Notes by previous owners in folio 1 dated 1208 and 1214H. Elaborate 'Unwān in folio 1 in red, yellow and black. Spine broken. Text excellently preserved.

Begins: فلما وقفت على اجمعه الناس قديما

Ends: وسلم تسليما كثيرا ايما الي يوم الدين

MS 78 (Biography)

Title: 'uyūnu 'l-'athar
Author: Abu 'l-Fatḥ Muḥammad ... ibn Sayyid an-Nās (d.734/1334)
Date: Not stated: probably 17th century

Brockelmann G.II.85$_{3.1}$: S.II.77$_{3.1}$.

This volume has the beginning missing, but the end is complete; it is described on the flyleaf as Part II of the work. Cf. also MS 77.

Folios 185, 10¼ x 7in; in single columns of 23 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, off-white matt paper in angular Naskh, partly vocalized, with some orthography. Rubrics in red, a few annotations in the margins. Worm-eaten throughout, but well preserved. Bound in brown leather (damaged at edges), no flap. Two simple 'Unwāns on the flyleaf.

Begins only at: قال اما الاولي فان الله فتح علي

Ends: ونفعنا بها --- امين

MS 79 (Qaṣīdah)

Title: (Commentary on) Qaṣīdatu 't-Ṭanṭarānī
Author: Abu 's-Ṣafā' Mīr Aḥmad Shāh ar-Riḍwānī Peshavarī
Date: 1303/1886

Folios 1 and 2 give the Qaṣīdah, followed by a Colophon. Folios 3a ff. contain the Commentary by Peshavārī. Written in India.

Folios 15, 9½ x 6½in; in single columns of 18 lines to page (13 for Qaṣīdah), no border. Written on good matt, off-white paper in clear Naskh, a few vowel- and orthographic signs. Rubrics in black, no annotations. Bound in modern ledger-type

boards, with pale brown leather, no flap. Title, gilt, with black square on front board: KASIDAH TANTARANI. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1. Folios 2a & 3 blank.

Begins (Qaṣīdah): يا خلى البال قد بلبلتى بالبال

Begins (Commentary): بالنوى زلزلتى والقلب فى الزلزال

Ends: (Qaṣīdah): دولة غراء فيها ادوم لأف الطاطاف

Ends (Commentary): على الوبر وفيه اشتقاق واطراف

MS 80 (Rhetoric)

Title: Talkhīṣu 'l-miftāḥ fī 'l-balāgha wa'l-ma'ānī
Author: Abū Ya'qūb Yūsuf as-Sakkākī (d.626/1229)
Date: 958/1551

Brockelmann G.I.353: S.I.516.

This is Part III of the work.

Folios 181, 10 x 5½in; in single columns of 7 lines to page, within a border of two red lines, 5¾ x 3in., plus outer single black line near edges. Written on fine, matt paper (now stained with age) in excellent bookhand Naskh, largely vocalized and with orthographic signs. Rubrics in red, heavily annotated between lines and in margins as if a Commentary. Some margins repaired. Bound in thick black leather, no flap. Simple description of contents (not an 'Unwān) in folio 1. Excellently preserved.

Begins: فلما كان علم البلاغة وتوابعها

Ends: ويظهر ذلك بالتامل مع التذكر لما تقدم

<u>MS 81</u> (Aphorisms)

Title: Kitābu 'd-durri 'l-manẓūm
Author: Not stated
Date: Not stated; probably 16th century

According to the Muqaddimah this is a collection of sayings of ethical import, from writers such as Abū Huraira, Ibn 'Abbās, Jābir b. 'Abdallāh, and the Prophet himself, in ten sections. Each section contains a number of quotations, section 1 having one, section 2 having two, section 3 having three, and so on.

Folios 34, 8$\frac{3}{4}$ x 5$\frac{3}{4}$in; in single columns of 17 lines to page, within frames of red, gold & blue lines, 5$\frac{3}{4}$ x 3$\frac{3}{4}$in., and a single blue line near the edge of each page. Written on thin. discoloured matt paper, in clear Syrian Naskh, mainly unvocalized, a few orthographic signs. Sections rubricated in red, no annotations. Four folios of thick, rough paper at each end. Bound in reddish-brown leather-covered boards, with plain buff paper on each cover, no flap. No 'Unwān.

Begins: فهذا كتاب يهذب للسامع ويزيد فى عقل اللبيب

Ends: ثم وعزتى وجلالى لن تنال منها الا ما قسمت لك وانت مذموم

MS 82 (Medicine)

UNIDENTIFIED COLLECTION OF MEDICAL TRACTS
ON (1) the preservation of health:
(2) the treatment of sickness.

The work is in 47 sections dealing with 185 subjects. It seems to be Vol.I of three. From the Yūsuf Ṣaifī Library (see on MS 58), it is based on several Greek writers on medicine.

Folios 122, 8¼ x 6in; in single columns of 22 lines to page, no border. Written on stout, vertically-laid paper, with horizontal layer to the inch, in inelegant Ruq'a, unvocalized and with no orthography. Titles and sub-titles in red; no annotations. Bound in thick red leather, no flap. No 'Unwān. Seal of former owner in folio 1 dated 1260 H.

Begins: فصل فى علم الفصد لشرح علم الفصد

Ends: واخلطه زبل كلاب --- واجوله

MS 83 (Poetry)

Title: Risāla li'sh-shaikh al-wu'aiẓī
Author: 'Al-Wu'aiẓī'
Date: 1093/1682

This poem is didactic, containing moral admonition.

Folios 5, 7½ x 5½in; in double columns of 23 lines to page, no border (with simple red decorations between lines). Written on

MS 33 (Rhetoric)

TWO WORKS IN ONE VOLUME

A. Folios 1-11

Title: (Sharḥu) 'r-Risālati 'l-Ḥanafīya
Author: Not stated
Date: Not stated; may be 17th century

The work appears to be a Commentary on a Treatise on Rhetoric; to be compared with the work of the same title in Brockelmann G.II.267$_{II.2}$: S.II.287$_{II.2}$?

B. Folios 12-33

Title: Not given, but the work appears to be a tract on the art of Disputation (مناظرة)
Author: Not stated
Date: Not stated; may be 17th century

The first few folios of each work are copiously annotated, interlinearly and in the margins.

Folios 33, 9½ x 6¼ in; in single columns of (A) 9 (B) 17 lines to page, no border. Written on off-white, matt paper in clear Ta'līq, unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Modern boards, blue and black. No 'Unwān. New margins of thin, glossy, yellowish paper have been attached to the pages, with the result that a few words of the Commentary have been lost.

A. Begins: لا الحمد جعل الله مناطيا تنبيها على القرب

Ends: الفرق ليس مما ينبغي والحتم والكلام على يد القدر

B. Begins: بدء بعد القيمن بالتسمية

Ends: الحريبة بدا والله اعلم بالصواب

MS 34 (Prayers)

Title: Du'ā' miftāḥi 'n-Najāh (probably only the title of the first Du'ā')

Author: 'Alī (the Caliph) - author of the prayers, not of the collection.

Copyist: The celebrated calligraphist 'Abdallāh al-Yazdī

Date: Not stated: infixed leaves may be very old, but margin paper and binding suggest mid-18th century or slightly earlier.

cf. Brockelmann S.I.938$_{s.75}$.

Folios 30, 9¼ x 6¼ in; in single columns of 11 lines to page. The writing, excellent formal Naskh fully vocalized and with complete orthography, has been executed on pale brown waxed paper, each leaf having been then infixed in pages (leaves back to back) with space cut out to receive them. Leaves 6½ x 2½ in. surrounded by border of black, red and gold lines. Some damage here and there on the leaves has been occasioned by damp and by cracking of waxed centres. Margin paper off-white, thick matt with gold border near edges. No annotations.

Pages excellently bound in red leather, with gold border stamped near outside edges; no flap. Repairs have been effected on several folios, resulting in serious loss of text in 1a-3a. Single line 'Unwān in gold. Folios 1a-2 are

brown at head of folio 2a. Simple 'Unwān in folio 2. Bound in thick, blue boards, black leather on spine, no flap.

Begins: فان من المقدمات المقررة عند اولى الابصار

Ends: واما بنعمة ربك فحدث

MS 86 (Prayer)

Title: Durra 'aqdi 'n-naḥr fī 'asrār ḥizbi 'l-baḥr

Author: Not stated, but is 'Abdarraḥmān b. Muḥammad b. 'Alī b. Aḥmad al-Bisṭāmī (d.858/1454)

Date: Not stated; probably 18th century

No name is given for the writer of the Commentary. The Commentary (on the Prayers) is by the Ṣūfī al-Bisṭāmī - cf. Brockelmann G.II.300$_5$. The main prayer (or prayers) is by Nur-addīn Abu 'l-Ḥasan 'Alī b. 'Alī b. 'Abd al-Jabbār al-Ḥasanī al-Idrīsī al-Mi'marī ash-Shādhalī (d.656/1258). The work comprises the Muqaddimah, Prayers by ash-Shādhalī, Aḥmad al-Malawī, a Risāla by Abu 'l-Ḥasan al-Hindī, and a Ḥizb by Ibrāhīm ad-Dasūqī.

Folios 32, 8¼ x 6in; in single columns of 17 lines to page, within a border of two red lines, 5¾ x 3¼in. Written on good, waxed, vertically-laid paper (horizontal layer to the inch), in clear Naskh, with a few vowel- and orthographic signs. Rubrics and original text in red, no annotations. Folios loose within stained, brown leather covers, with flap, each ornamented with indented medallia. Simple 'Unwān in black and red within triangle of red lines in folio 1.

Begins: يقول العبد الضعيف راجي عفو ربه اللطيف

Ends: منزم ففقرة واجرا عظيما

MS 87 (Dictionary)

Title: al-Qāmūsu 'l-muḥīṭ wa'l-Qāmūsu 'l-wasīṭ (sic)
Author: Muḥammad b. Ya'qūb b. Muḥammad al-Fīrūzābādhī (sic) (d.817/1415)
Copyist: 'Abdarraḥmān Muḥammad al-Ḥusain
Date: 1046/1636

Brockelmann G.II.233$_1$: S.II.234$_{5.1}$.

The work is complete; cf.also MS 91 below.

Folios 540, 11$\frac{5}{4}$ x 8in; in single columns of 32 lines to page, within a border of yellow, red and black lines, 9 x 5$\frac{1}{2}$in. Written on horizontally-laid paper, with vertical layer to every 30 cm., sparsely vocalized, with many orthographic signs. Words of dictionary in red and mostly vocalized. Many marginal annotations. Bound in stout, black leather, with medallia in variegated colours, no flap, spine breaking. No 'Unwān. Various notes and seals of former owners up to 1323 H. Excellently preserved, many margins repaired. Bottoms of folios stuck together in many places with dark brown liquid (recent), resulting in a little text being lost. Ornamentations in red and gold at top of folio 1a. Colophon within triangle of red, yellow and blue lines in Nasta'līq.

Begins: فان للعلم رياضا وحياضا وخمايل وغياضا

Ends: ويا الجزم المتبسط --عبد الله تعالى لم تسقط لانه لا خلف عنوا

MS 88 (Marriage Law)

UNIDENTIFIED DRUZE COMMENTARY on part of a work dealing with MARRIAGE RIGHTS.

The whole work appears to be incomplete. It is from the Yūsuf Ṣaifī Library (see on MS 58) and is probably of the early 19th century.

Folios 82, 8½ x 6in; in single columns of average 15 lines to page, no border. Written on thick, vertically-laid, waxed paper (horizontal layer to the inch), in large Syrian Naskh, partly vocalized, with some orthographic signs. Quotations in red, a few marginal annotations. Bound in green boards and poor quality red leather on spine, no flap. No 'Unwān or colophon. Water-stained.

Begins only at: من ذلك الا وهي حرام والجماع مع الحمال

Ends only at: وغووا ولقوا فيها العذاب

MS 89 (Aphorisms)

Title: (possibly) Kalāmu 'd-Durra fī 1-h mahfūz

Author: Not stated

Date: Not stated; 19th century

A compendium of pious sayings, mainly about Allah, some of them Quranic.

Folios 51, 10½ x 7¾in; in single columns of 5 lines to page, within a border of two red lines, 6¾ x 5¼in., except folios 1a, 2 which have the text within elaborate decorated panels. A circle in each corner of the innermost part of the panel contains a word: the four words in folio 1a may be a title - kalāmu 'd-durra fī lauh mahfūz, and in folio 2 furqānu 'l-'azīm 'alā muhammad fī shahāda. Written on thick, horizontally-laid paper in Thulūth, vocalized, with orthography. Each word has the Persian equivalent beneath it. In the margin of folio 27 is a decoration containing the word nisf. Most folios loose within blue cloth binding, with flap; on front cover are given the opening words within a rectangle (gilt) - wa-mā min dābba, which may be intended as a title of sorts. Folio 1 has a circle of several rings in many colours, containing the word al-malik. Five blank sheets at end.

Begins: وما من دابة فى الارض الا على الله

Ends: وان الله لا يهدى كيد الخاينين

MS 90 (Theology)

Title: Kashfu 'l-'asrār 'ammā hafiya mina 'l-'afkār (sic)

Author: Shihābaddīn Abu 'l-'abbās Ahmad b. al-Amād al-Aqfahsī (d.808/1405)

Copyist: Hasan b. al-Hājj 'Alī b. 'Abdalmalik b. 'Āmir

Date: 1223/1808

Brockelmann G.II.$114_{22.1}$: S.II.$110_{22.1}$.

In the form of question and answer, deals with ethical and theological problems. Ends with a prayer by Shaikh '~~Idrus~~ Aidarus.

Folios 102, 8 x 5¾in; in single columns of 20 lines to page, no border. Written on chalky, vertically-laid paper, with horizontal layer to the inch, in clear, inelegant Naskh, unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Rubrics in red, a few marginal, annotations. Bound in modern, marbled boards, black leather on spine, no flap. Simple 'Unwān on inside of front cover.

Begins: فهذا كتاب اذكر فيه اجوبة من مسايل مشكلة

Ends: وصلى الله ---وعلى اله وصحبه وسلم --- دايما ابدا

MS 91 (Dictionary)

Title: Qāmūsu 'l-Fīrūzābādī
Author: Muḥammad b. Ya'qūb b. Muḥammad al-Fīrūzābādī (d.817/1415)
Date: Not stated: probably early 19th century

Brockelmann G.II.233_{1}: S.II.$234_{5.1}$.

This volume is incomplete at the beginning, starting only in the middle of faṣl al-Khā', and may be Part II of the whole work. Cf. also MS 87 above.

Folios 258, 12¼ x 7¾in; in single columns of 35 lines to page,

within a border of two red lines, 9¼ x 5in. Written on good, chalk-surfaced, horizontally-laid paper, with vertical layer to each 30 cm., in clear, inelegant Naskh, partially vocalized, with some orthographic signs. Words of dictionary in red, a few annotations. Bound in brown leather, no flap. Some margins have been repaired. A very good copy. No 'Unwān.

Begins only at: واجلعة اضطره الى الجوع كجوع

Ends: وباء الجزم المتبسط ---لم تسقط لانه لا خلف عنها

MS 92 (Law)

Title: Kitāb sharā'i'i 'l-'islām
Author: Najmaddīn al-Hillī (d.676/1277)
Copyist: 'Imrān at-Tūnī (copied in the Ja'farīyah Madrasa at al-Mashhad al-Muqaddas)
Date: 1097/1686

Brockelmann G.I.514_4: S.I.711_4.

The well known manual of Shi'ite Law, it has been printed in India and Persia.

Folios 263, 9¾ x 7¼in; in single columns of 21 lines to page, first 79 folios having a border of a red line within three black lines, 7¼ x 4¾in. Written on waxed, matt paper, somewhat stained by damp on margins; first 79 folios in scholarly type of Naskh, partly vocalized, with some orthography: folios 80 ff. in several clear Naskhī hands, with few vowel-signs and some orthography. Many annotations throughout. First 79 folios seem to be much

older, but the same paper has been used for both parts. Many margins have been mended. Bound in thick leather covers with tooling, back cover missing, no flap. No 'Unwān. Fihrist in folio 26. There are several seals of former owners.

Begins: فان رعاية الايمان توجب قاضاه حق الاحوان

Ends: وان يجعلنا من خلص شيعتهم الداخلين فى شفاعتهم انه ولى ذلك

MS 93 (Philosophy)

Title: Not stated
Author: 'Abdarraḥmān b. Aḥmad Anjāmī (15th century A.D.)
Date: Not stated: 19th century

This is stated to be his Commentary on Ibn 'Arabī's Fuṣūṣu 'l-Ḥikam, and was composed in 896/1490, based on the 'teaching' of great patriarchs (Noah, Isaac, etc.).

For fuṣūṣu 'l-ḥikam see Brockelmann G.I.572_{11}: S.I.792_{12}.

Folios 182, 12¾ x 8 in; in single columns of widely varying number of lines to page. Written on good quality, fine, horizontally-laid paper (vertical layer to the inch), in various styles, mostly Nasta'līq, in many hands, sparsely vocalized, with a few orthographic signs. Each scribe has adopted a different format, some pages being ruled in pencil. A few marginal annotations. Bound in same style as MSS 90,94, but red leather on spine. No 'Unwān. Fihrist in folio 1a.

Begins: الحمد لله الذى زين خواتم قلوب

Ends: ---يقول الحق بانسان

MS 94 (Logic)

Title: (Commentary on) Tahdhību 'l-Manṭiq (by Sa'daddīn at-Taftāzānī)
Author: Jalāladdīn ad-Dawwānī (d.907/1501)
Date: 1070/1659

Brockelmann G.II.278$_{2.1}$: S.II.302$_{2.1}$.

This is a Commentary on the first part (on Logic) of at-Taftāzānī's work. Extensive marginal glosses have been identified by a previous cataloguer as the Ta'līq of 'Abdallāh b. Shihābaddīn ash-Shīrāzī (d.1015/1606). The entire work, with glosses, has been printed in India.

Folios 32, 6 x 4in; in single columns of 15 lines to page, no border. Written on fine, chalk-surfaced, horizontally-laid paper (vertical layer variable every 19-25 cms.), in good, clear Ta'līq, unvocalized, with a li tle orthography. Rubrications in red. Apart from ash-Shīrāzī's Ta'līq there are other marginal and some interlinear annotations. Folios 1-6 yellowed. Bound in boards exactly as MS 90, with red leather on spine and corners of boards, no flap. No 'Unwān.

Begins: نحمدك اللهم على ما اعطيتنا عن سوابغ النعم

Ends: فيقال بترك المعين الى غير معين الخطاب

MS 95 (Qur'ān)

INCOMPLETE ABD UNBOUND VOLUME OF THE QUR'ĀN,
Sūrahs Fātiḥa to al-Quraish.

Folios 68, 6 x 4in; in single columns of 11 lines to page, no border. Written on fine, waxed, horizontally-laid paper (vertical layer to the inch), in good Syrian Naskh, vocalized and with complete orthography. Folios unbound. Ending incomplete. Sūrah rubrics in gold. Cantillation signs in red; verse divisions in gold.

Begins at Sūrat Fātiḥa

Ends only at: الذى اطعمهم من جوع وامنهم

MS 96 (Law)

UNIDENTIFIED COMMENTARY ON CANON LAW,
with full additional marginal
Commentary. Probably 17th century.

Folios 115, 14 x 7½in; in single columns of average 17 lines to page, no border. Written on glossy, vertically-laid paper of poor manufacture, in clear Egyptian Naskh, unvocalized, no orthography. Wide margins occupied with full commentary in same hand. Some interlinear annotations. Rubrics and first words of paragraphs in red. Text commented on overlined in red. Folios mostly loose within brown leather binding of 17th century style, no flap. Covers within striped cloth with fittings for

carrying. No 'Unwān or Colophon. Folio 1 contains numerological calculations in kabbalistic fashion.

Begins (Introduction): اعلم ان الرجل من الانصارى

Begins (main text): الحمد لله الذى انار برافته منار الاسلام

Ends: والله ما ---- يعلم خلافه

MS 97 (Dīwān)

UNIDENTIFIED COMMENTARY ON THE DIWAN OF 'UMAR b. al-FĀRIḌ (d.632/1235). 19th century copy.

The Commentator states that he is commenting on the Dīwān of 'Umar b. al-Fāriḍ and referring to other commentaries on the same. He mentions only the Sharḥ of Jamāladdīn as-Suyūṭī, adding that he himself does not deal with Part II of the Dīwān. There are quotations from al-Mutanabbī. The author appears to have been a pupil of 'Umar, or perhaps his nephew Abu 'l-Ḥasan 'Alī Nūraddīn b. Yūnus b. al-Fāriḍ. If so, it may be his al-Madadu 'l-Fā'iḍ 'an sharḥ dīwān ash-Shā'ir 'umar b. al-Fāriḍ.

Folios 47, 10 x 7¼in; in single columns of average 20 lines to page, no border. Written on good, fine, chalky paper, vertically-laid with horizontal layer to the inch, in clear Syrian Naskh, unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Rubrics in red, no annotations. Text arranged in paragraphs, western fashion. Folios loose, no binding. No 'Unwān or Colophon.

Begins (after Ascription): فان الطبع الذى يقدر على نظم

Ends only at: واصله اسؤ بالهمز على وزن افعل (لانه)

MS 98 (Philosophy)

Title: Risālatu 'l-Khauf wa'r-Rajā'
Author: Not stated
Date: Not stated; probably 16th century

This is a Commentary on an unidentified work on Philosophy in various hands. Incomplete at end.

Folios 113, 9¾ x 6in; in single columns of (folios 1-71) 17, (folios 72ff.) 21 lines to page, no border. Written on very thin, vertically-laid, off-white paper, in good clear Naskh (folios 1-71), Ta'līq (folios 72-end), unvocalized, no orthographic signs. Lacuna between folios 71 and 72. Sentences divided by red dots. Quotations in red, a few annotations. Bound in reddish-brown leather, no flap, with green-marbled paper on both covers. Simple 'Unwān in later hand at top of folio 1. Many margins repaired. Worm-eaten throughout, but generally in good condition. Four blank sheets of poor matt quality at either end. First page text obscured by repairs to margin. Last folio contains 21 lines of text, but all except 3½ are scored through, as if to make a new ending in view of the true ending being missing.

Begins: --جن رحمة من سوال وكان عيسى

Ends (unscored): مرجان عظيم باطنه فيه الرحمنه وظاهرة

Ends (scored material): وقوله قايما --ثم وجه التد

MS 99 (Prayers)

A SHORT COLLECTION OF ṢŪFĪ PRAYERS & INVOCATIONS of the 19th century.

No title, name of author or date mentioned. It is a typical collection from the Yūsuf Ṣaifī Library (see on MS58). There are several kabbalistic signs and permutations, with references to Gabriel and Michael.

Folios 24, 4¾ x 3¼in; in single columns of average 12 lines to page, no border. Written on rough, chalk-surfaced paper, in inelegant Maghribī script, unvocalized, without orthography. Title words in red, no annotations. Bound in same paper, with yellow paper covers, no flap. No 'Unwān or Colophon. Miscellaneous loose sheets enclosed, also with kabbalistic signs.

Begins: اللهم ---الاسما تدفع وترفع

Ends: بجيمه تريد --فانوا تنتف--

MS 100 (Grammar)

Title: al-'ajwibatu 'l-jalīya fi 'l-'uṣūli 'n-naḥwīya
Author: Abū 'Alī Muḥammad b. Ajurrūm (d.723/1323)
Date: Not stated; 18th century

Brockelmann S.II.332_1.

Arranged throughout in the form of question and answer, it is the same text as the Beirut 1886 printed edition. This

copy was given to Yūsuf Ṣaifī (see on MS 58) by Dalbata ash-Shamāsh Jīb Nuṣrī, a Syrian Maronite, in 1847.

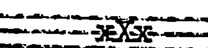
Folios 36, 6¼ x 4½in; in single columns of 20 lines to page, no border. Written on matt paper in inelegant Naskh, sparsely vocalized, with few orthographic signs. Question and answer introduced by Sīn and Jīm respectively in red; examples in red. Rubrics in black and red, no annotations. Bound in stout leather, with decorated beige and black paper covers. Simple 'Unwān in red at top of folio 1a.

Begins: س. ما هو الكلام .ج. الكلام هو اللفظ المركب

Ends: وفضه مضاف اليه ---عليهما من تم الاعراب

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